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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of June 1, 2001, Applicants elect Group I with traverse. Please consider the following remarks traversing this requirement.

REMARKS

The Examiner has restricted examination of the present application to one of the following groups of claims:

- I. Claims 30-45, 47, 50-72, 74, 77-86, 88, 91-97 and 99
- II. Claims 46, 73, 87 and 98
- III. Claims 48, 75, 89 and 100
- IV. Claims 49, 76, 90 and 101

Applicants respectfully submit that the restriction to one of Groups I-IV is improper. First, Applicants submit examination of the claims in the present application as one invention